

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR  
MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2018 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**MAYOR:** Tonita Gurulé-Girón

**COUNCILORS:** David A. Ulibarri, Jr.  
Vincent Howell  
Barbara A. Casey  
David G. Romero

**ALSO PRESENT:** Ann Marie Gallegos, Interim City Manager  
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk  
Chris Lopez, Sergeant at Arms  
David Silva, Acting City Attorney-*Absent*

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**MOMENT OF SILENCE**

Councilor Howell asked the community keep in mind, the children that had been recently displaced from their families and hoped that they were being taken care of and would soon be reunited with their families. He prayed for the good Lord to give the Council the proper guidance to do the right thing in order to move the community in the right track in moving forward.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. made a motion to approve the agenda as is. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:



Vincent Howell	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the minutes for May 4th, May 9th, May 15th, May 16th and May 24, 2018 as amended. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David G. Romero	Yes	Barbara A. Casey	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Interim City Manager Ann Marie Gallegos informed that Acting City Attorney David Silva was absent although would be available via phone if needed.

### **MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS/REPORTS**

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that there were no appointments or reports at this time.

### **MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS**

Mayor Gurulé-Girón recognized former Councilman David L. Romero and thanked him for his 8 years of dedicated service to the City of Las Vegas, as well as his wife Roberta and son, Councilman David G. Romero.

Former Councilman Romero thanked the Council, as well as Chief of Police Chris Lopez and stated it was an honor to have served the City of Las Vegas.

### **PUBLIC INPUT**

Wid Slick spoke on behalf of MainStreet regarding an online silent auction that would be available to people while traveling on the Amtrak train, advertising the



event in the train's seat back magazine, reaching 5.1 million people in over 2 months. He advised the auction would be available by using a smartphone and would entertain a wide selection of art by Las Vegas artists. Mr. Slick advised that it would create the most sales that Las Vegas Artists have ever seen and that the auction would run from August 1st through September 30, 2018.

Richard Lindeborg spoke on behalf of the board of the Las Vegas Arts Council who had partnered with MainStreet and the City of Las Vegas and was in support of the advertising and the Silent Auction and advised that the ad would expose information on tourism tours, at least 50 artist's works and much more. He stated that it would have more influence on tourism in the area.

David Luna thanked the Governing Body for supporting the Chamber of Commerce. He spoke in support of the online silent auction and of their collaboration with Main Street America and other entities in providing a vehicle to get the information out by way of a more "user friendly" website in promoting the silent auction and other City events as well.

Martin Montoya, a local artist from Las Vegas encouraged the Governing body to support the online auction and stated that it would be very beneficial to him and other artists and looked forward to working with MainStreet.

Lalo Sanchez spoke about cleaning up the City in order to attract tourism and stated that the old car wash at the South end of Grand Avenue needed to be demolished because it had been an eyesore for many years. Mr. Sanchez suggested that Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. and Councilor Romero work together in cleaning Wards 1 and 4 for tourist attraction and thanked the City for painting the handicap signage and curbs although stated the crosswalks needed painting. He made the recommendation to the Governing body to decriminalize Cannabis in the City in order to build revenue and stated that placing parking meters would also generate revenue.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked Utilities Director Gilvarry when the next Citywide cleanup would take place.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised that they were planning one within the next couple of months although did not have the exact date.

### **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**



Chief of Police Chris Lopez, Commander Eric Padilla and Evidence Technician Patrick Torres presented information regarding a grant for \$28,000.00 awarded from the New Mexico Attorney General's Office. Mr. Torres explained that the funding would go towards a state of the art evidence system that would improve the tracking of evidence to the fullest extent. He advised that it would consist of barcoding evidence which would cut the time of inventory from 6 months to possibly less than one month and stated that it would be a benefit to the community and the Justice department as well.

Chief of Police Lopez and Commander Eric Padilla presented information regarding a \$7,000.00 grant received from Susteen Mobile and another \$7,995.00 from the District Attorney's Office which would go towards a mobile forensic software system that would allow the Police Department to lawfully access cell phone or computers for data evidence during investigations.

Councilor Howell asked if it would be allowed to obtain data from cell phones and computers or would they need permission from providers.

Commander Padilla explained there were a few ways, one being to apply for a search warrant, which gives all rights to it, consent from the owner or in the case of an emergency such as a kidnapping or terrorist threats, they would get in automatically. He advised that permission from the Courts granted them authority to search and seize.

Brief discussion took place on processes of some privacy laws regarding providers.

Interim City Manager Gallegos reminded everyone that the District Tournaments would begin this coming Saturday, expecting 450 players for 3-4 days and that Opening Ceremonies were taking place at Rodriguez at 12:30 p.m. She advised that the Public Works and Utility Departments had been preparing fields and would be cleaning up on Friday and encouraged everyone to participate in that.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón commended everyone who took part in the hard work to prepare the baseball fields.

Councilor Romero added that he wanted to recognize all the departments for working together in preparing the fields.



Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. thanked everyone for their hard work in improving the baseball fields.

Councilor Howell also recognized the hard work taking place and stated that he hoped there would be sufficient trash cans at the field area.

Interim City Manager Gallegos ensured that there would be enough trash cans for the event and that trash would be picked up daily. She also informed that Love's Truck Stop would be opening on June 28th.

Interim Community Development Director Virginia Marrujo gave a brief update on the 4th of July Fiestas and spoke of several other events taking place during that time. She informed that entertainers were already in place and stated that the entertainers were promoting the fiestas as well. Ms. Marrujo advised that all the departments were working well together to make the event a success and added that they were working on promoting and getting the motorcycle rally going.

Discussion took place regarding the 4th of July events, promotions and giveaways.

Senior Center Manager Wanda Salazar invited everyone to the re-opening of the San Miguel Senior Center.

Interim City Manager Gallegos informed that they were very proud of the Recreation Center and the work of Interim Recreation Manager Sonia Gomez and staff for the success they have had regarding the Day Care Program.

## **FINANCE REPORT**

Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that Interim Finance Director Tana Vega was not present, due to an emergency.

Interim City Manager Gallegos presented the Finance Report for the month ending May 31, 2018, reporting the General Fund Revenue at 97% and expenditures coming in at 79%. She thanked the departments for maintaining their costs and would be filling positions soon.

Interim City Manager Gallegos reported that the Enterprise Funds Revenue was at 94% and expenditures at 80%. She advised that the Recreation Department



revenue came in at 81% and expenditures were at 76%. She advised that they were looking at more events and hopefully soon be purchasing a slide.

Councilor Casey stated that Moody's downgraded the New Mexico bond rating and asked if it would have a negative effect on the City.

Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that she believed it would not affect the City due to being rated individually, along with the City's healthy cash balances and advised she would report on any changes.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for the City's current asset ratio rating.

Interim City Manager Gallegos informed that she did not know at this time although would bring back that information to the Governing Body.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

City Clerk Fresquez read the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approval of Resolution #18-24, a request to transfer a 2005 Ford Van, VIN#IFBSS31LD5HB30709, with mileage of 105,815 miles to Collins Lake Autism Center, a 501c3 Non-Profit Corporation.

Resolution 18-24 was presented as follows:

CITY OF LAS VEGAS  
RESOLUTION NUMBER 18-24

A RESOLUTION DONATING ONE 2005 FORD ECOLINE F350 VAN BELONGING TO THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS TO A NON PROFIT 501C3, COLLINS LAKE AUTISM RANCH AND DIRECTING THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS SENIOR CENTER TO DONATE SAID PROPERTY TO THE COLLINS LAKE AUTISM RANCH, MORA, NEW MEXICO.

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas wishes to donate to the Collins Lake Autism Ranch, described as follows:

1. 2005 Eco line F350 Van VIN # IFBSS31LD5HB30709

WHEREAS, the following described item is property, which is excess and not needed for any essential government function, it is no longer being used by the City of Las Vegas Senior Center Department.

WHEREAS, when this property is donated to another agency, it shall be understood that the property listed above may or may not meet current standards. The City of Las Vegas shall not be responsible for any cost associated with bringing said vehicle up to standards, and the City of Las Vegas shall be released from any liability associated with this vehicle.



WHEREAS, the receiving non-profit 501c3 agency accepts this vehicle on an "AS IS" basis, and accepts any and all costs associated with bringing said vehicle up to standards prior to placing vehicle in to service.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, that the above described item belonging to the City of Las Vegas Senior Center Department is hereby declared excess property and not needed for any City purpose of function and that said property should be donated.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2018.

CITY OF LAS VEGAS:

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TONITA GURULE-GIRON, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

*Approved as to Legal Sufficiency Only*

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City of Las Vegas Attorney

2. Approval of Resolution #18-25, to ensure the availability of matching funds for the participation in the New Mexico Department of Transportation Municipal Cooperative Agreement (COOP) for Keen Street from Grant Street to West National Avenue as well as West National Avenue from Keen Street to South Pacific Avenue.

Resolution 18-25 was presented as follows:

**CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NM**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 18-25**

A Resolution Supporting the New Mexico Department of Transportation Municipal Cooperative Agreement( COOP) SP-4-19-(957) for the Plan Design, Construction Management, Construction, Reconstruction, Pavement Rehabilitation, Drainage Improvements and Miscellaneous Construction for Keen Street from Grant Street to West National Avenue.

**WHEREAS**, the cost of the program stated in this resolution is Two Hundred Fifty Three Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty Dollars, (\$253,980.00); and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Las Vegas' Governing Body has declared improvements are needed to Keen Street



and West National Avenue a necessity for the good and well being of citizens of Las Vegas, New Mexico and to support this Cooperative Agreement for funding to accomplish the work; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Las Vegas will work in accordance with the funding requirements of the Municipal Cooperative Agreement (COOP) program SP-4-19-(957) and will budget \$63,495.00 which is 25% of total cost of project of \$253,980.00.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the local governing body of the City of Las Vegas that the Cooperative Agreement for the above funding be submitted to the New Mexico Department of Transportation.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2018.

CITY OF LAS VEGAS

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MAYOR TONITA GURULE-GIRON

ATTEST:

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CASSANDRA FRESQUEZ, CITY CLERK

3. Approval of Resolution #18-26, the City of Las Vegas is interested in applying for the Local Government Fund Match Waiver Program per New Mexico Administration Code 18.27.3.8 for our FY 2018/2019 Project No. SP-4-19(957) control No. L400397.

Resolution 18-26 was presented as follows:

**STATE OF NEW MEXICO  
CITY OF LAS VEGAS  
Resolution #18-26**

**PARTICIPATION IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ROAD FUND PROGRAM AND REQUEST FOR  
MATCH WAIVER ADMINISTERED BY New Mexico DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION**

**WHEREAS**; the City of Las Vegas and the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) have entered into a Municipal Cooperative Agreement;

**WHEREAS**; the total cost of the project will be \$253,980.00 with funding from NMDOT and \$63,495.00 from the City of Las Vegas;

**WHEREAS**; the share amount from NMDOT shall be 75% or \$190,485.00;



**WHEREAS;** the City of Las Vegas' proportional matching share shall be 25% or \$63,495.00 if a "Hardship" for "Match Waiver" is not deemed to be present by the Department of Finance and Administration and the NMDOT;

**WHEREAS;** the total project cost is \$253,980.00;

**WHEREAS;** the City of Las Vegas shall pay all costs, which exceed the total amount of \$190,485.00;

**WHEREAS;** the City of Las Vegas has a limited tax base which limits the funding for meeting the proportional matching share and a fund exists in the NMDOT appropriated by the New Mexico State Legislature for Public Entities" in need of "Hardship";

**WHEREAS;** the City of Las Vegas requests participation in this Match Waiver Program in the amount of \$63,495.00 to acquire funds;

**WHEREAS;** the project for this Municipal Cooperative Agreement program is to be adopted and has a priority standing for the proportional match waiver toward completion of the project.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** by the City of Las Vegas to enter into the Municipal Cooperative Agreement Project Number SP-4-19(957), Control Number L400397, with the New Mexico Department of Transportation's FY19 Local Government Road Fund (LGRF) Project, for the plan, design, construction, and construction management for Keen Street and West National within the control of the City of Las Vegas, in San Miguel County, New Mexico.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

ATTEST:

CITY OF LAS VEGAS

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Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

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TONITA GURULE-GIRON  
MAYOR

4. Approval of Resolution #18-27, authorizing the application submission of a New Mexico Community Development Block Grant Program to the Department of Finance and Administration and authorizing the Mayor of the City of Las Vegas as the authorized Chief Executive Officer and Authorized representative to participate in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program.

Resolution 18-27 was presented as follows:

**RESOLUTION NO. 18-27**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO,  
AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A NEW MEXICO COMMUNITY  
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM APPLICATION TO THE**



**DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION/LOCAL GOVERNMENT DIVISION; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.**

**WHEREAS**, the need exists within City of Las Vegas for neighborhood improvement projects in several low and moderate income neighborhoods, and the City of Las Vegas desires to apply to the Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant Program to obtain funding for neighborhood improvement projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has held (4) Four public hearings for public input and comment on March 27, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. and March 28, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prior to the 2018 application process; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council finds that there is a significant need to undertake the 2018 CDBG Street and Drainage Improvements – Hot Springs Blvd. from Mora Street to Bernalillo Street to provide adequate services to the community; and

**WHEREAS**, the Council determines that the 2018 CDBG Street and Drainage Improvements – Hot Springs Blvd. from Mora Street to Bernalillo Street meets the requirements of the Community Development Block Grant Program.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO, that**

1. The City of Las Vegas is hereby authorized to prepare and submit a Community Development Block Grant application to the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration/Local Government Division (DFA) for the 2018 CDBG Street and Drainage Improvements – Hot Springs Blvd. from Mora Street to Bernalillo Street;
2. That the Council directs and designates the Mayor as the City of Las Vegas's Chief Executive Officer and Authorized Representative to act in all matters in connection with this application and the City of Las Vegas's participation in the New Mexico Community Development Block Grant Program;
3. The City of Las Vegas officials and staff are directed to do any and all acts necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution;



4. That the full application amount the City is requesting will be for (\$750,000.00) from DFA and the Phase I project cost of three phases is estimated at (\$665,971.35);

5. That it further be stated, that the City of Las Vegas is committing a Match of 10% which is \$75,000 to carry out the 2018 CDBG Street and Drainage Improvements – Hot Springs Blvd. from Mora Street to Bernalillo Street for this 2018 CDBG Street and Drainage Improvements – Hot Springs Blvd. from Mora Street to Bernalillo Street;

**PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this       day of       , 2018.

Signature, Chief Elected Official  
Name (Typed or Printed)

Applicant Entity (County or Municipality)

Title       Date

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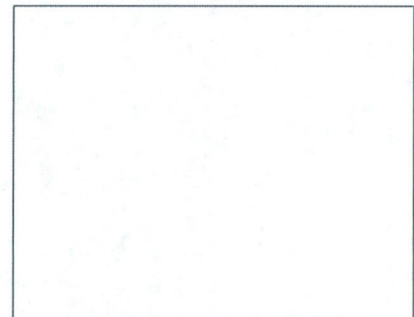
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5. Approval to award request for RFB #2018-18 for the North Grand Waterline project to Hays Plumbing & Heating, Inc.

6. Approval to award request for RFB #2018-19 for the Cabin Site tank rehabilitation project to D&R Tank Company.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read into the record. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes



City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

1. Conduct a Public Hearing and Approval/Disapproval to adopt Ordinance No. 18-03 amending Ordinance No. 18-01 entering into a loan agreement with the New Mexico Finance Authority.

Councilor Casey made a motion to go into Public Hearing. Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	Barbara A. Casey	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

City Clerk Fresquez asked anyone who wished to speak on the issue, to stand and be sworn in. Maria Gilvarry was sworn in.

Utilities Director Maria Gilvarry advised that Ordinance 18-01 was passed, approved and adopted at the City council Meeting on March 21, 2018 approving a loan with the NMFA for the purposes of obtaining for financing the acquisition of water storage rights. A principal amount of up to \$4,200,000.00 together with interest will be repaid from the distributions of the revenues from GRT. The funding agency requires that the loan be repaid from the distributions of the revenues from GRT. The funding agency requires that the loan be approved through ordinance. The original ordinance must be amended to allow delegation of authority to make certain determinations concerning the terms of the loan agreement and authorizing the taking of other actions in connection with the execution and delivery of the loan agreement and the intercept agreement.

Councilor Casey made a motion to accept the record proper. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David G. Romero	Yes	Barbara A. Casey	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes



City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Councilor Casey made a motion to close Public Hearing and reconvene into Regular Session. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve to adopt Ordinance 18-03 amending Ordinance No. 18-01 entering into a loan agreement with the New Mexico Finance Authority. Councilor Howell seconded the motion.

Ordinance 18-03 was presented as follows:

*-Due to length of document, a complete copy may be obtained at the City of Las Vegas, City Clerk's Office.*

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David G. Romero	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Utilities Director Gilvarry advised that the permit should be approved by the end of next week from the State Engineer's Office.

2. Conduct a Public Hearing and Approval/Disapproval to adopt Ordinance 18-05 amendment to the Official Zoning map for property.

Councilor Casey made a motion to go into Public Hearing. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:



David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

City Clerk Fresquez asked anyone who wished to speak on the issue, to stand and be sworn in. Maria Perea, Virginia Marrujo and Judith Long were sworn in.

Planning & Zoning Coordinator Maria Perea advised that the Long Living Trust, Michael & Judith Long, Trustees & owners of Lots 17,18,19, & 20, Block 12, of the Lopez, Sulzbacher & Rosenwald Addition to the el Dorado Town company, and known as 1117-12th Street, Las Vegas, New Mexico appeared before the Las Vegas Planning and Zoning Commission on May 29, 2018. Mr. & Mrs. Long are requesting that said property be rezoned from the present R-A (Residential Agricultural Zone) to an R-3 (Mixed Residential Zone). The applicant's intent is to place a mobile home on Lots 19 & 20 for a family member and sell Lots 17 & 18 in the future.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked if all variances had been met.

Planning & Zoning Coordinator Perea informed that all requirements had been met.

Judith Long advised that both zoning allows for mobile homes and stated that all they wanted was more flexibility of where to place the home on the property and extend the lot.

Councilor Howell asked if there had been any complaints from any neighbors.

Ms. Long advised that there was only one concern of a neighbor who thought they would be moving four mobile homes on the four lots although assured them that it would not be practical and they would not do that.

Councilor Casey made a motion to accept the record proper. Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	Barbara A. Casey	Yes



City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried

Councilor Casey made a motion to close Public Hearing and reconvene into Regular Session. Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

Councilor Romero made a motion to approve to adopt Ordinance 18-05 amendment to the Official Zoning map for property. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion.

Ordinance 18-05 was presented as follows:

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Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

### 3. Approval/Disapproval to purchase a new Phone system.

IT Manager Kenny Roybal introduced Mike Murphy with Harris Technologies and advised that the City's current phone system had been failing and was in need of replacement. The cost to repair the current system is as much or greater than purchasing a new system. The IT Department with the help of Harris Technologies reviewed and quoted our three phone systems. The system that IT is recommending and best fits the need of the City is the Allworks system, replacing the analogue system with digital voice. He advised that IT Technician Orlando Gonzales was familiar with that system as he had training and was certified in the Allworks system.



Councilor Casey had concerns on costs between analogue and digital systems.

IT Manager Roybal advised that currently the City was paying about \$5,000.00 as opposed to paying \$2,500.00 a month with Allworks.

Discussion and questions took place regarding the upgrade of the phone system and operation and maintenance costs.

Councilor Howell asked if there was any other municipality utilizing this system.

Mr. Mike Murphy informed that West Las Vegas Schools and Mora Schools had purchased the system and added that it was a flawless implementation. Mr. Murphy advised that with the purchase of the system there would be a 5 year warranty and support, which included software upgrades for free. He advised that if Allworks had to install software, there would be a small cost although Orlando Gonzales was familiar with the system which would be a benefit in being cost effective.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised Interim City Manager Gallegos to monitor the dollar amount of the purchase of the phone system.

Councilor Howell had questions and concerns regarding the issues that have come with the broadcasting of meetings.

IT Manager Roybal explained the process of broadcasting between Highlands University and Comcast and stated that the City had no control over the equipment although stated that the City was in communication with Comcast and Highlands of taking ownership of the equipment and having control and maintaining of the system on the City's end.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve to purchase a new phone system. Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	David G. Romero	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.



Mr. Murphy advised that on behalf of Harris Technologies, they were thankful to the City of Las Vegas for the opportunity and looked forward in serving the City for many years.

### **COUNCILORS' REPORTS**

Councilor Romero advised there were some issues brought to him from Recreation Center members regarding exercise equipment that was not being used and requests for privacy rooms.

Interim City Manager Gallegos and Interim Recreation Manager Sonia Gomez ensured that those issues would be addressed.

Councilor Romero recommended that a walking lane for students be placed in the area of South Gonzales Street behind West Las Vegas Schools and explained the students were walking on the street and that was very hazardous. Councilor Romero also stated that weeds throughout the City needed attention.

Councilor Casey stated she received a complaint regarding Rheua Pearce Park near Bridge Street and that it desperately needed attention and felt it would be good due to the fiestas quickly approaching. She advised of another complaint received regarding the City's website and the difficulty to navigate when trying to find out information pertaining to Water updates. Councilor Casey also stated that she had requested that her e-mail address be added to the City's website and asked why the Housing and Special audits were not available on the City's website.

Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that she was not certain if the Housing Audit was approved yet and not sure if they were able to disclose it and informed that the City's 2017 Audit should be available on the website. She advised that the Special Audit was available on the State Auditor's website.

Councilor Casey asked when the next City Auction would take place.

Interim City Manager advised that the auction would take place possibly in August or September, after approval from Council of the departments' lists.

Councilor Casey advised that she had requested a monthly report for all the Councilors on personnel changes, resignations, terminations and transfers and stated that there was a shortage in the Human Resource Department.



Interim City Manager Gallegos advised that the list had been completed and sent to Councilors that afternoon.

Councilor Howell had a suggestion regarding the front page of the City's website, and naming the section "Did you know?" He stated it could consist of bullet points that pertained to the community.

Utilities Director Gilvarry informed that the the City was at a Stage 0 which meant there were no water restrictions although she recommends to use water wisely, not to be wasteful and cars could be washed in yards conservatively. She stated that this information had been put out through radio, PSA, Las Vegas Optic and made sure that information was more prominent on the City's website.

Councilor Howell reported that the area near Alta Vista Hospital and Love's Truck Stop (Grand Ave.) needed attention due to there being a great deal of trash there. He also asked if there had been a meeting scheduled with the AWC and the community yet.

Interim City Manager informed that they had previously scheduled a meeting although would be rescheduled due to there not being enough publication and more information that needed to get out to the public. She advised she would inform Council of the meeting date.

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. thanked all Directors and City staff for all their hard work in moving the City forward.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Interim City Manager Ann Marie Gallegos advised that there was no need to go into Executive Session.

Councilor Romero made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters and stated that the community had been wondering what was happening regarding the appointments.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that there would be no need for Executive Session and stated she had nothing to hide, and advised they had conducted interviews for Police Chief and City Attorney and were waiting on an Attorney to negotiate an



actual contract for the City and that she could not set up the Organizational Meeting at this point in time. She advised that once that contract was drafted then would be brought to Council to review and put on the Organizational Meeting and added that regards to the City Manager, she was looking to set up a committee so they could interview for that position and would also be discussing the City Clerk with Council in the future, as well.

Councilor Romero asked for clarification, regarding the Mayor bringing the contracts to them before the meeting.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón clarified that she absolutely would and stated that she would set up the Organizational meeting although could not set one up until she had those contracts because it was only fair that Council review those contracts in order to make a determination on the day of approval or disapproval. She added that Council could make amended changes if they were not happy with the contract.

Councilor Romero asked if there would be a name to the contract.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated "there would be a name to that contract, once a confirmation happens, I'm trying to work this out with Attorneys and then at that point in time, will bring the contracts which would be at the same time of the Organizational meeting or shortly thereafter, so we can review the contracts."

Councilor Romero advised that at that time he would give his opinion and stated that if he would be given a contract with a name and not have enough time to research, he would vote "no".

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that a three day notice would be enough to review the contracts.

Councilor Casey asked a question regarding the Council reviewing the applicants' resumes for that position.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that the selection committee had reviewed the resumes.

Councilor Casey asked, what about the Council and stated that they were the ones that had to vote.



Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that Council did not appoint and they only confirmed or denied and added that the Charter was being followed.

Lengthy discussion took place regarding previous appointments, the process and recommendations.

Councilor Casey stated that she felt it was not appropriate for a community committee to have access to applicant resumes and information and felt that Council should have that information because Council was the one to vote for approval. She stated that Council was expected to approve contracts right away without the information of the applicants.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that in the past, she had taken Councilor Casey's recommendation for City Attorney without questions regarding a resume.

Councilor Casey stated that Council had taken Mayor Gurulé-Girón's recommendation for City Manager last year, March 2017. She advised that she requested an agenda item to review the position of City Manager and was rejected.

Councilor Casey advised that the Special Audit did state that the City Manager did not have the requirements to be City Manager and her concern was that she did not want to approve someone without knowing for a fact that they were truly qualified and wanted to see it in black and white and felt it was a fair request.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that was not what the audit stated, she advised that he did not meet certain criteria to the ICMA and followed up, she advised that he did meet the criteria and that at the time she was certifying Mr. Trujillo, she spoke to City Clerk Fresquez and asked her to certify that. Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that City Clerk Fresquez advised that he was qualified for that position. Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that the ICMA report called for him to be registered and informed that she followed up and checked after. She stated that he was and is registered and would get Councilor Casey a copy of the report.

Councilor Casey advised that Mr. Trujillo registered 4 months after he was hired and that the Charter stated that the City Manager had to be registered with the ICMA at the time of approval.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón added that the ICMA rules were changing regarding registration.



Councilor Casey stated that she would like to see that information regarding the change.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that she would get that information to her.

Councilor Howell stated that Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that they would see a contract on the appointee and asked, "what if the appointee was not selected before they saw the contract". He advised that he thought they would agree to the appointee and then develop a contract.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that she would talk to the Attorney about that although they still had to develop the contract with no name on it.

Councilor Howell advised Mayor Gurulé-Girón that Councilor Romero asked her if the contract would have a name on it, and that she mentioned "yes".

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that she would not have a name on the contract although the confirmation would, after Council's approval.

Councilor Howell asked if they had gone out on a search for a City Manager.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised "not yet", and stated that she believed at this point in time, they should focus on the two positions. She advised that she spoke with Danelle Smith who advised her, if she attempted to appoint anyone at this point in time without searching, it would be a dereliction of duty and added that she was searching, although was not a public search.

Councilor Howell stated that he felt that the four appointees should be accountable to all five of the Governing Body members and not only to one and that they needed to have a good part in the selection of appointees.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that she thought the committee she appointed to interview was an exceptional committee.

Councilor Howell stated that the Council members did not know who the committee members were.



Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that she preferred that Council did not know who the committee members were because she did not want anyone influenced prior to the interviews. She advised that the committee for Police Chief were: Mack Crow, Dr. Dolores Ortega and herself. For City Attorney: Kim Delgado, Roy Montibon and herself.

Councilor Howell asked if she selected the committee members from each one of Council's Districts.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised no, and thought that it was her duty to set it up and set it up with individuals who were reputable in the community and she believed that they fell in certain districts although did not pick and choose which ones.

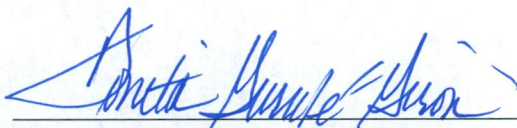
Councilor Howell stated that he felt it would have been good to have a voice from each district.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that his voice would be on the day he would confirm.

Councilor Howell stated that he thought it was sad that she was not involving the Council.

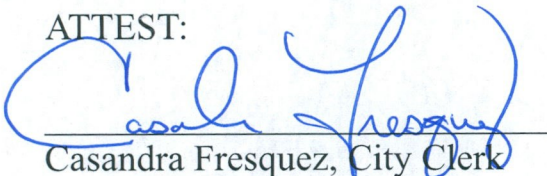
### **ADJOURN**

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Gurulé-Girón adopted the motion to adjourn.



Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk